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**Biennial Report  
OF  
The Eugenics Board  
of North Carolina**

JULY 1, 1964  
TO  
JUNE 30, 1966





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### LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

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To his Excellency, DAN K. MOORE  
Governor of North Carolina

Dear Sir:

I have the honor of submitting herewith the report of the Eugenics Board of North Carolina for the biennial period dating from July 1, 1964 through June 30, 1966.

Respectfully yours,

*Reuben Brown*

Chairman



## INTRODUCTION

The eugenical sterilization program of North Carolina is administered under Article 7, Chapter 35, of the General Statutes of North Carolina, enacted in 1933. This law provides for the sterilization of persons who are mentally ill, mentally retarded, or epileptic. The law refers to the first two disabilities as the "mentally diseased" and "feeble-minded." In addition to objective evidence of one of the three impairments, it must be shown as the result of social, medical, psychiatric, and/or psychological study that sterilization is applicable to the needs of the particular individual.

The purpose of sterilization as it is administered under the North Carolina program is to protect persons from parenthood whose impairments would seriously handicap them in assuming the responsibilities of parents.

The law protects the individual in that it provides for the written consent of the husband or wife or the nearest relative. It also provides for the right of a hearing and an appeal to the courts. These latter rights are seldom exercised due to the fact that the individual and husband, or wife, or close relative usually participate in the plan and make their own decision in favor of the operation before the petition is initiated.

Petitions for the sterilization of non-institutional persons are submitted to the Eugenics Board by the county directors of public welfare. Petitions for the sterilization of State institutional residents are submitted by the superintendents of the institutions.

The program is administered by the Eugenics Board of North Carolina with the assistance of an Executive Secretary. The Board is composed of five members: The Commissioner of Public Welfare of North Carolina; the Director of the State Board of Health; the chief Medical officer of an institution for the mentally ill, or the mentally retarded; the Commissioner of the State of North Carolina Department of Mental Health; and the Attorney General of North Carolina.

The eugenical sterilization program has now been in operation for over twenty-five years. During this time the increased knowledge in the field of mental health has revealed many causative factors for mental illness and mental retardation. Hereditary factors take their place among a vast number of other reasons for these disabilities.

In keeping abreast of the expanding knowledge in the field of mental health, the Eugenics Board has recognized that in order for the sterilization program to be effective it must be regarded as an integral part of a broad system of protection and supervision of those individuals unable to meet their responsibilities as parents.

Over a period of years there has been a trend toward giving increased emphasis to the value of sterilization for the particular individual. Seldom is there evidence that sterilization is considered as a single means of solving a problem. To the contrary, the provision is used increasingly as one among many of the essential resources in taking care of the needs of certain individuals. This improvement in the use of the sterilization program is attributed

in a large degree to better qualified staffs in public welfare departments and in institutions and to the increased interest and co-operation on the part of the medical profession.

### **DEVELOPMENTS DURING THE BIENNIUM**

During the biennium, the Eugenics Board has held regular monthly meetings and in addition has held special meetings at the request of petitioners. With the retirement of State Health Director, Dr. J. W. R. Norton, his successor, Dr. Jacob Koomen, has taken his place upon the Board.

To promote the program and its effective use, the Eugenics Board has continued to use all available means of interpretation. Because of unusual demands upon the staff in the county departments of public welfare, group meetings were temporarily discontinued, but discussion of the program has continued on an individual basis with the staff of county departments of public welfare, the State institutions for the mentally ill and mentally retarded, and public health personnel. This has been chiefly the responsibility of the Executive Secretary, and she has been aided in individual cases by the field representatives, child welfare consultants, and psychologists of the State Board of Public Welfare. Attendance at a variety of meetings, both state and local, also has been used to promote the program.

The Executive Secretary participated in a Management Seminar conducted by the Institute of Government during this period as well as special institutes on the needs of the mentally retarded.

The Eugenics Board is a member of the North Carolina Health Council and the Mental Health Council and has been regularly represented at the meetings of these organizations.

Feature articles have been prepared for the press as well as for publications of various State agencies.

The manual of the Eugenics Board has been kept up-to-date as changes have occurred and has been widely distributed to appropriate agencies in the State.

There has been consistent interest in the use of the program and as lower case loads in welfare departments become more widespread, this is expected to increase.

### **PROGRAM STATISTICS**

During the biennium, 461 petitions were presented to the Eugenics Board for review. Operations were authorized in 368 cases, amounting to 79.8 per cent of the petitions. There were 356 operations performed, or 96.7 per cent of the operations authorized. Some of the operations performed had been authorized in the previous biennium, and some of the operations authorized during the 1964-66 biennium could not be performed until the following biennium.

Of the 356 operations, 350 were performed upon women and only 6—1.7 per cent of the total—were performed upon men.

Rarely are asexualizations ordered by the Eugenics Board, and there were none ordered during the biennium.

Fifty-eight operations performed were for persons in State institutions: Eighteen at Cherry Hospital at Goldsboro; seventeen at Broughton Hospital at Morganton; five at John Umstead Hospital at Butner; three at Dorothea Dix Hospital at Raleigh; ten at Caswell Center at Kinston; three at Murdoch Center at Butner; and two at O'Berry Center at Goldsboro. The remaining 298 persons having operations were non-institutional cases. Petitions for their operations originated in county departments of public welfare.

The 316 non-institutional operations authorized were upon petitions received from 73 of the 100 counties of the State. The 298 non-institutional operations performed were for 75 different counties. Counties with the highest number of non-institutional operations during the biennium were: Mecklenburg—26; Rowan—12; Wayne—12; Durham—11; New Hanover—10.

Of the 356 persons having operations, 124 were white, 228 Negro, and 4 Indian. The majority of the persons sterilized were adolescents or young adults: 38.2 per cent were between 20 and 30 years of age, and 46.6 per cent were under 20.

The operations for sterilization were performed because of the following conditions: 308, or 86.5 per cent, because of "feeble-mindedness"; 47, or 13.2 per cent, because of "mental disease"; and 1, or 0.3 per cent, because of "epilepsy."

More than three-fourths, or 274 persons, sterilized were single. One in ten, or 38 persons, were married. The remaining 44 were widowed, divorced, or separated from their spouses.

Seventy-three per cent of the 356 persons having operations (261 persons) had already had children prior to the operation, including 55 who had had five children or more each. The 261 persons were the parents of 775 children; 425, or 55 per cent, of these children were reported to have been born out-of-wedlock.

There continues to be a decline in the number of sterilizations requested by State institutions, and the general improvement in as well as wider availability of medical means of birth control have made sterilization of non-institutional persons less pressing.

The Eugenics Board wishes to express its appreciation to the professional persons and to the general public who have contributed to the success of the program.



## FINANCIAL REPORT OF EUGENICS BOARD, 1964-1966

Item	Expenditures	
	Actual 1964-65	Actual 1965-66
Salaries and Wages .....	\$11,008.00	\$12,466.00
Supplies and Materials .....	26.43	49.07
Postage, Telephone and Telegraph .....	403.98	302.22
Travel Expense .....	147.10	9.85
Printing and Binding .....	262.56	190.47
General Expense .....	15.00	15.00
Equipment .....	67.62	21.42
Repairs and Alterations .....	36.73	—
	\$11,967.42	\$13,054.03





TABLE 1-10

STATISTICAL REPORT ON EUGENICAL STERILIZATION  
DURING THE 1964-1966 BIENNIUM

TABLE 1  
Operations Performed, by Type of Operation and Origin of Petition  
July 1964 - June 1966

Origin of Petition	TOTAL	July 1964-June 1965				July 1965-June 1966			
		Total	Vasectomy	Salpingectomy	Ovariectomy	Total	Vasectomy	Salpingectomy	Ovariectomy
Total	356	199	2	197	—	157	4	153	—
State Institutions	58	38	2	36	—	20	3	17	—
Non-Institutional	298	161	—	161	—	137	1	136	—

TABLE 2  
Cases Handled by Fiscal Year  
July 1964 - June 1966

Fiscal Year	Petitions Presented	Operations Authorized	Operations Performed
Total	461	368	356
July 1964-June 1965	256	199	199
July 1965-June 1966	205	169	157

TABLE 3

Operations Performed, by Length of Time Between Authorization and Operation  
July 1964 - June 1966

Length of Time	TOTAL	July 1964-June 1965	July 1965-June 1966
Total	356	199	157
Less than 1 month	184	103	81
1 month, less than 3	96	46	50
3 months, less than 5	45	31	14
5 months, less than 7	9	6	3
7 months, less than 1 year	12	8	4
1 year, less than 2	8	5	3
2 years, less than 4	2		2
4 years or more			

TABLE 4

State Institutional Operations, by Institution, Type of Operation, and Fiscal Year  
July 1964 - June 1966

Institution	TOTAL	July 1964-June 1965			July 1965-June 1966		
		Total	Vasec- tomy	Salpin- gectomy	Total	Vasec- tomy	Salpin- gectomy
Total	58	38	2	36	20	3	17
State Hospitals:							
Broughton Hospital, Morganton	17	9		9	8	1	7
Cherry Hospital, Goldsboro	18	15	1	14	3		3
Dorothea Dix Hospital, Raleigh	3	3		3			
John Umstead Hospital, Buiner	5	1		1	4	2	2
Centers for Mentally Defective:							
Caswell Center, Kinston	10	6	1	5	4		4
Murdoch Center, Buiner	3	2		2	1		1
O'Berry Center, Goldsboro	2	2		2			
Western Carolina Center, Morganton							

TABLE 5  
State Institutional Operations Authorized and Performed,  
by County of Residence  
July 1964 - June 1966

County of Residence	Total Operations		July 1964-June 1965		July 1965-June 1966	
			Operations		Operations	
	Authorized	Performed	Authorized	Performed	Authorized	Performed
TOTAL	52	58	31	38	21	20
Alamance	1	--	1	--	5	2
Alexander	--	1	--	1	--	--
Alleghany	--	--	--	--	--	--
Anson	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ashe	--	--	--	--	--	--
Avery	--	--	--	--	--	--
Beaufort	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bertie	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bladen	--	--	--	--	--	--
Brunswick	--	--	--	--	--	--
Buncombe	1	--	--	--	1	--
Burke	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cabarrus	2	2	2	2	--	--
Caldwell	--	1	--	1	--	--
Camden	--	--	--	--	--	--
Carteret	--	--	--	--	--	--
Caswell	--	--	--	--	--	--
Catawba	1	1	--	--	1	1
Chatham	1	--	--	--	1	--
Cherokee	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chowan	--	--	--	--	--	--
Clay	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cleveland	1	1	--	1	1	--
Columbus	--	--	--	--	--	--
Craven	1	1	1	1	--	--
Cumberland	2	2	1	2	1	--
Currituck	1	1	--	--	1	1
Dare	--	--	--	--	--	--
Davidson	1	1	1	1	--	--
Davie	--	--	--	--	--	--
Duplin	1	1	1	1	--	--
Durham	--	--	--	--	--	--
Edgecombe	--	--	--	--	--	--
Forsyth	4	4	1	1	3	3
Franklin	--	--	--	--	--	--
Gaston	2	5	1	4	1	1
Gates	1	1	--	--	1	1
Graham	--	--	--	--	--	--
Granville	--	--	--	--	--	--
Greene	1	1	--	--	1	1
Guilford	--	--	--	--	--	--
Halifax	--	--	--	--	--	--
Harnett	--	--	--	--	--	--
Haywood	--	1	--	1	--	--
Henderson	1	1	1	--	--	1
Hertford	--	1	--	1	--	--
Hoke	--	--	--	--	--	--

TABLE 5 (Continued)

County of Residence	Total Operations		July 1964-June 1965		July 1965-June 1966	
			Operations		Operations	
	Authorized	Performed	Authorized	Performed	Authorized	Performed
Hyde	..	..	..	..	..	..
Iredell	1	1	1	..	..	..
Jackson	..	..	..	..	..	..
Johnston	1	..	1	..	..	..
Jones	1	..	..	..	1	..
Lee	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lenoir	1	2	1	2	..	..
Lincoln	..	..	..	..	..	..
Macon	..	..	..	..	..	..
Madison	..	..	..	..	..	..
Martin	..	..	..	..	..	..
McDowell	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mecklenburg	3	5	1	2	2	3
Mitchell	..	..	..	..	..	..
Montgomery	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moore	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nash	2	1	2	1	..	..
New Hanover	..	..	..	..	..	..
Northampton	..	..	..	..	..	..
Onslow	1	1	1	1	..	..
Orange	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pamlico	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pasquotank	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pender	..	..	..	..	..	..
Perquimans	..	..	..	..	..	..
Person	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pitt	1	1	1	1	..	..
Polk	..	..	..	..	..	..
Randolph	2	2	2	2	..	..
Richmond	1	1	1	1	..	..
Robeson	1	1	1	1	..	..
Rockingham	2	3	1	2	1	1
Rowan	1	2	1	2	..	..
Rutherford	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sampson	2	2	1	1	1	1
Scotland	1	1	1	1	..	..
Stanly	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stokes	..	..	..	..	..	..
Surry	..	..	..	..	..	..
Swain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Transylvania	1	1	1	..	..	1
Tyrrell	..	..	..	..	..	..
Union	..	..	..	..	..	..
Vance	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wake	4	3	2	1	2	2
Warren	..	..	..	..	..	..
Washington	..	..	..	..	..	..
Watauga	1	1	..	..	..	..
Wayne	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wilkes	1	1	..	..	1	1
Wilson	2	2	2	2	..	..
Yadkin	..	1	..	1	..	..
Yancey	..	..	..	..	..	..

TABLE 6  
Non-Institutional Operations Authorized and Performed,  
by County of Residence  
July 1964 - June 1966

County of Residence	Total Operations		July 1964-June 1965		July 1965-June 1966	
			Operations		Operations	
	Authorized	Performed	Authorized	Performed	Authorized	Performed
Total .....	316	298	168	161	148	137
Alamance .....	8	8	5	6	3	2
Alexander .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Alleghany .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Anson .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ashe .....	1	1	..	..	1	1
Avery .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Beaufort .....	2	2	..	..	2	2
Bertie .....	2	2	2	2	..	..
Bladen .....	5	3	4	3	1	..
Brunswick .....	2	3	1	2	1	1
Buncombe .....	5	4	..	..	5	4
Burke .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cabarrus .....	5	5	3	3	2	2
Caldwell .....	1	2	1	2	..	..
Camden .....	4	4	2	2	2	2
Carteret .....	4	2	1	2	3	..
Caswell .....	..	1	..	1	..	..
Catawba .....	4	4	3	3	1	1
Chatham .....	..	1	..	1	..	..
Cherokee .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chowan .....	7	6	5	4	2	2
Clay .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cleveland .....	5	4	1	1	4	3
Columbus .....	6	5	3	2	3	3
Craven .....	1	1	..	1	1	..
Cumberland .....	3	7	2	4	1	..
Currituck .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dare .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Davidson .....	3	1	2	1	1	..
Davie .....	3	3	1	1	2	2
Duplin .....	8	7	3	2	5	5
Durham .....	9	11	5	4	4	7
Edgecombe .....	1	1	..	..	1	1
Forsyth .....	5	5	4	4	1	1
Franklin .....	9	9	6	6	3	3
Gaston .....	7	6	6	3	1	3
Gates .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Graham .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Granville .....	..	1	..	1	..	..
Greene .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Guilford .....	12	9	4	1	8	8
Halifax .....	2	2	..	1	2	1
Harnett .....	1	1	1	1	..	..
Haywood .....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Henderson .....	2	2	1	1	1	1
Hertford .....	6	7	3	4	3	3
Hoke .....	1	3	1	3	..	..

TABLE 6 (Continued)

County of Residence	Total Operations		July 1964-June 1965		July 1965-June 1966	
			Operations		Operations	
	Authorized	Performed	Authorized	Performed	Authorized	Performed
Hyde	--	--	--	--	--	--
Iredell	3	4	1	3	2	1
Jackson	1	1	--	--	1	1
Johnston	6	7	3	4	3	3
Jones	--	1	--	1	--	--
Lee	4	4	2	3	2	1
Lenoir	1	1	1	--	--	1
Lincoln	1	1	1	1	--	--
Macon	2	1	--	--	2	1
Madison	1	1	1	1	--	--
Martin	2	2	1	--	1	2
McDowell	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mecklenburg	29	26	13	16	16	10
Mitchell	--	--	--	--	--	--
Montgomery	--	--	--	--	--	--
Moore	4	3	4	2	--	1
Nash	5	4	1	1	4	3
New Hanover	14	10	6	5	8	5
Northampton	1	3	1	3	--	--
Onslow	--	--	--	--	--	--
Orange	6	3	5	2	1	1
Pamlico	2	3	1	1	1	2
Pasquotank	2	1	1	--	1	1
Pender	5	5	4	4	1	1
Perquimans	2	1	1	1	1	1
Person	5	5	4	4	1	1
Pitt	7	7	6	2	1	1
Polk	--	--	--	--	--	--
Randolph	5	4	1	1	4	3
Richmond	1	1	--	--	1	1
Robeson	2	4	--	3	2	1
Rockingham	--	--	--	--	--	--
Rowan	14	12	10	11	4	1
Rutherford	1	1	--	1	1	--
Sampson	2	2	1	1	1	1
Scotland	10	9	4	3	6	6
Stanly	3	1	1	1	2	--
Stokes	--	--	--	--	--	--
Surry	1	3	--	1	1	2
Swain	--	--	--	--	--	--
Transylvania	1	--	1	--	--	--
Tyrrell	1	1	--	--	1	1
Union	1	1	--	--	1	1
Vance	1	1	1	1	--	--
Wake	10	8	6	2	4	6
Warren	5	3	2	1	3	3
Washington	1	1	1	--	--	1
Watauga	--	--	--	--	--	--
Wayne	14	12	9	5	5	7
Wilkes	2	2	1	--	1	2
Wilson	3	4	2	3	1	1
Yadkin	1	1	1	1	--	--
Yancey	--	--	--	--	--	--

TABLE 7  
Operations Performed, by Type of Operation and Race  
July 1964 - June 1966

Type of Operation	TOTAL	July 1964-June 1965				July 1965-June 1966			
		Total	White	Negro	Indian	Total	White	Negro	Indian
Total .....	356	199	64	131	4	157	60	97	--
Vasectomy .....	6	2	1	1	--	4	4	--	--
Salpingectomy .....	350	197	63	130	4	153	56	97	--

TABLE 8  
Type of Operation Performed, by Age and Sex of Person  
July 1964 - June 1966

Ages in Years	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
		Vasectomy	Salpingectomy
Total .....	356	6	350
10-19 .....	166	2	164
20-29 .....	136	4	132
30-39 .....	51	--	51
40-49 .....	3	--	3
50 and over .....	--	--	--



TABLE 9  
Operations Performed, by Type of Diagnosis, Source of  
Petition, and Marital Status  
July 1964 - June 1966

Diagnosis Shown on Petition	TOTAL	MARITAL STATUS								
		Married			Single			Widowed, Divorced, Separated		
		Total	State Insti- tution	Non- Insti- tutional	Total	State Insti- tution	Non- Insti- tutional	Total	State Insti- tution	Non- Insti- tutional
Total	356	38	12	26	274	35	239	44	11	33
Mental disease	47	12	12		21	19	2	14	10	4
Feeble-mindedness	308	25		25	253	16	237	30	1	29
Epilepsy	1	1		1						

TABLE 10  
 Individuals Having Children Prior to Sterilization, by  
 Marital Status and Number of Children  
 July 1964 - June 1966

Children Born Prior to Sterilization	TOTAL <sup>1</sup>	July 1964-June 1965				July 1965-June 1966			
		Total	Married	Single	Widowed, Divorced, Separated	Total	Married	Single	Widowed, Divorced, Separated
Total	261	154	23	100	31	107	14	81	12
One child	83	45	4	40	1	38	-	36	2
Two children	59	35	4	25	6	24	3	19	2
Three children	37	25	5	16	4	12	2	9	1
Four children	27	15	2	10	3	12	3	6	3
Five children	13	9	3	4	2	4	-	4	-
Six children	25	17	2	3	12	8	1	4	3
Seven children	6	2	1	-	1	4	2	1	1
Eight children	6	3	-	1	2	3	1	2	-
Nine children	2	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-
Ten or more <sup>2</sup>	3	2	2	-	-	1	1	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Ninety-five persons had no children  
<sup>2</sup> Two individuals had 10 children; One had 12.

TABLES 11-18

HISTORICAL DATA ON EUGENICAL STERILIZATION  
IN NORTH CAROLINA



TABLE 11  
Cases Handled by Biennial Periods  
July 1933-June 1966

Biennial Period	Petitions Presented	Operations Authorized	Operations Performed
Total .....	7888	7624	6802 <sup>1</sup>
July 1933-June 1934 .....	39	39	31
July 1934-June 1936 .....	309	301	252
July 1936-June 1938 .....	356	350	296
July 1938-June 1940 .....	352	345	305
July 1940-June 1942 .....	390	385	339
July 1942-June 1944 .....	328	309	269
July 1944-June 1946 .....	282	276	238
July 1946-June 1948 .....	337	330	291
July 1948-June 1950 .....	562	543	468
July 1950-June 1952 .....	743	796	704
July 1952-June 1954 .....	673	650	626
July 1954-June 1956 .....	657	634	556
July 1956-June 1958 .....	674	658	562
July 1958-June 1960 .....	576	564	535
July 1960-June 1962 .....	558	531	467
July 1962-June 1964 .....	591	545	507
July 1964-June 1966 .....	461	368	356

<sup>1</sup> Forty-nine additional operations were performed prior to July 1933 under previous legislation, making a total of 6,851 operations performed.

TABLE 12  
Operations Performed Annually, by Sex and Type of Operation  
July 1929 - June 1966

Year	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasec- tomy	Castra- tion	Total	Salpin- gectomy	Ovari- ectomy
Total .....	6851 <sup>1</sup>	1081	1016	65	5770	5715	55
1929 .....	3	2	1	1	1	..	1
1930 .....	17	2	..	2	15	10	5
1931 .....	11	..	..	..	11	10	1
1932 .....	18	9	..	9	9	7	2
1933 .....	4	1	1	..	3	3	..
1934 .....	61	15	7	8	46	45	1
1935 .....	178	24	17	7	154	152	2
1936 .....	98	12	11	1	86	86	..
1937 .....	128	21	18	3	107	105	2
1938 .....	202	56	53	3	146	144	2
1939 .....	138	36	34	2	102	102	..
1940 .....	159	47	45	2	112	112	..
1941 .....	181	49	45	4	132	132	..
1942 .....	148	36	32	4	112	112	..
1943 .....	152	33	29	4	119	119	..
1943 .....	152	33	29	4	119	119	..
1944 .....	107	20	18	2	87	87	..
1945 .....	117	18	15	3	99	98	1
1946 .....	106	16	16	..	90	90	..
1947 .....	140	26	21	5	114	114	..
1948 .....	189	34	34	..	155	155	..
1949 .....	249	31	31	..	218	218	..
1950 .....	300	60	60	..	240	240	..
1951 .....	372	106	104	2	266	266	..
1952 .....	348	82	82	..	266	266	..
1953 .....	283	40	40	..	243	243	..
1954 .....	298	45	45	..	253	253	..
1955 .....	292	75	74	1	217	217	..
1956 .....	217	43	42	1	174	172	2
1957 .....	305	52	52	..	253	250	3
1958 .....	318	29	28	1	289	285	4
1959 .....	260	22	22	..	238	234	4
1960 .....	234	9	9	..	225	221	4
1961 .....	248	8	8	..	240	233	7
1962 .....	230	8	8	..	222	217	5
1963 .....	240	7	7	..	233	226	7
1964 .....	256	2	2	..	254	252	2
1965 .....	167	3	3	..	164	164	..
1966 to June 30	77	2	2	..	75	75	..

<sup>1</sup> Ninety-one of these operations originated in county institutions prior to 1953.

TABLE 13

State Institutional Operations Performed Annually,  
by Sex and Type of Operation

July 1929 - June 1966

Year	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasec- tomy	Castra- tion	Total	Salpin- gectomy	Ovari- ectomy
Total .....	2902	782	737	45	2120	2110	10
1929 .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1930 .....	9	1	..	1	8	4	4
1931 .....	3	..	..	..	3	3	..
1932 .....	15	9	..	9	6	5	1
1933 .....	2	1	1	..	1	1	..
1934 .....	45	13	5	8	32	31	1
1935 .....	82	15	9	6	67	67	..
1936 .....	56	10	10	..	46	46	..
1937 .....	82	16	15	1	66	66	..
1938 .....	152	50	48	2	102	101	1
1939 .....	70	29	28	1	41	41	..
1940 .....	94	36	36	..	58	58	..
1941 .....	103	38	37	1	65	65	..
1942 .....	98	33	29	4	65	65	..
1943 .....	107	32	28	4	75	75	..
1944 .....	63	15	13	2	48	48	..
1945 .....	74	14	11	3	60	59	1
1946 .....	47	11	11	..	36	36	..
1947 .....	65	15	13	2	50	50	..
1948 .....	92	23	23	..	69	69	..
1949 .....	109	21	21	..	88	88	..
1950 .....	187	51	51	..	136	136	..
1951 .....	255	92	91	1	163	163	..
1952 .....	213	62	62	..	151	151	..
1953 .....	115	24	24	..	91	91	..
1954 .....	128	23	23	..	105	105	..
1955 .....	127	52	52	..	75	75	..
1956 .....	70	31	31	..	39	39	..
1957 .....	81	32	32	..	49	49	..
1958 .....	75	13	13	..	62	62	..
1959 .....	45	5	5	..	40	40	..
1960 .....	49	3	3	..	46	46	..
1961 .....	34	2	2	..	32	32	..
1962 .....	37	4	4	..	33	33	..
1963 .....	36	1	1	..	35	35	..
1964 .....	49	1	1	..	48	46	2
1965 .....	26	2	2	..	24	24	..
1966 to June ..	7	2	2	..	5	5	..

TABLE 14  
Non-Institutional Operations Performed Annually  
by Sex and Type of Operation  
July 1929 - June 1966

Year	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasec- tomy	Castra- tion	Total	Salpin- gectomy	Ovari- ectomy
Total	3858	294	278	16	3564	3522	42
1929	1	1	1	--	--	--	--
1930	5	--	--	--	5	4	1
1931	4	--	--	--	4	4	--
1932	3	--	--	--	3	2	1
1933	2	--	--	--	2	2	--
1934	15	2	2	--	13	13	--
1935	85	8	8	--	77	75	2
1936	37	2	1	1	35	35	--
1937	42	5	3	2	37	36	1
1938	48	6	5	1	42	41	1
1939	59	7	6	1	52	52	--
1940	59	11	9	2	48	48	--
1941	73	10	8	2	63	63	--
1942	43	3	3	--	40	40	--
1943	41	1	1	--	40	40	--
1944	39	5	5	--	34	34	--
1945	42	4	4	--	38	38	--
1946	57	5	5	--	52	52	--
1947	69	11	8	3	58	58	--
1948	96	11	11	--	85	85	--
1949	135	9	9	--	126	126	--
1950	111	9	9	--	102	102	--
1951	112	14	13	1	98	98	--
1952	134	20	20	--	114	114	--
1953	168	16	16	--	152	152	--
1954	170	22	22	--	148	148	--
1955	165	23	22	1	142	142	--
1956	147	12	11	1	135	133	2
1957	224	20	20	--	204	201	3
1958	243	16	15	1	227	223	4
1959	215	17	17	--	198	194	4
1960	185	6	6	--	179	175	4
1961	214	6	6	--	208	201	7
1962	193	4	4	--	189	184	5
1963	204	6	6	--	198	191	7
1964	207	1	1	--	206	206	--
1965	141	1	1	--	140	140	--
1966 to June	70	--	--	--	70	70	--



TABLE 15  
State Institutional Operations, by Institution, Sex, and Type of Operation  
July 1929 - June 1966

Institution	TOTAL	MALE		FEMALE		
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Total	Salpingectomy Ovariectomy
Total	2902	782	737	45	2120	10
State Hospitals:						
Broughton Hospital, Morganton	825	223	223		602	1
Cherry Hospital, Goldsboro	480	191	167	24	289	2
Dorothea Dix Hospital, Raleigh	626	98	89	9	528	2
John Umstead Hospital, Butler <sup>1</sup>	34	7	7		27	
Schools for Mentally Defective:						
Caswell Center, Kinston	591	252	240	12	339	1
Murdoch Center, Butler <sup>2</sup>	7				7	
O'Berry Center, Goldsboro <sup>3</sup>	12				12	
Training Schools: <sup>4</sup>						
Eastern Carolina Training School	4	4	4			
Stonewall Jackson Training School	6	6	6			
State Home and Industrial School for Girls	300				300	4
Morrison Training School						
State Training School for Negro Girls	3				3	
Others:	14	1	1		13	

<sup>1</sup> Opened in 1947

<sup>2</sup> Opened in 1958

<sup>3</sup> Opened in 1957

<sup>4</sup> Petitions for children at training schools are now initiated by county directors of public welfare.

TABLE 16  
Operations Performed, by Type of Operation and Race  
July 1929 - June 1966

Type of Operation	Total	White	Negro	Other
Total .....	6851	4218	2590	43
Vasectomy .....	1016	746	268	2
Castration .....	65	36	29	—
Salpingectomy .....	5715	3409	2266	40
Ovariectomy .....	55	27	27	1

TABLE 17  
Type of Operation Performed, by Age and Sex of Person  
July 1929 - June 1966

Age in Years	TOTAL	MALE			FEMALE		
		Total	Vasectomy	Castration	Total	Salpingectomy	Ovariectomy
Total .....	6851	1081	1016	65	5770	5715	55
10-19 .....	2599	428	404	24	2171	2149	22
20-29 .....	2689	357	331	26	2332	2315	17
30-39 .....	1384	204	191	13	1180	1164	16
40-49 .....	165	78	77	1	87	87	—
50 and over .....	12	12	12	—	—	—	—
Unknown .....	2	2	1	1	—	—	—

TABLE 18  
Operations Performed, by Type of Diagnosis, Source of  
Petition, and Marital Status  
July 1929 - June 1966

MARITAL STATUS													
Diagnosis Shown on Petition	TOTAL	Married				Single				Widowed, divorced, separated			
		Total	State Insti- tution	County Insti- tution *	Non- Insti- tutional	Total	State Insti- tution	County Insti- tution *	Non- Insti- tutional	Total	State Insti- tution	County Insti- tution *	Non- Insti- tutional
Total	6851	1682	928	8	746	4606	1784	76	2746	563	190	7	366
Mental disease	1641	884	847	1	36	580	550		30	177	157		20
Feeble-mindedness	4854	699	37	5	657	3783	1070	70	2643	372	25	7	340
Epilepsy	356	99	44	2	53	243	164	6	73	14	8		6

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